

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner required an election of species for a medium composition of claims 1, 32, 34-35, 38-45, 48, and 54. The Examiner required an election of species of method steps of claims 46-47 and 52-53. Note that the Office Action states "51-52" rather than 52-53, but this was a clerical error and was corrected in a phone call. The Examiner required an election of species for muscle tissue species of claims 1, 48, and 54.

For the medium composition, Applicant elects serum of animal origin. For the species of method steps, Applicant elects the method of claims 46 and 52. For the muscle tissue species, Applicant elects urethral sphincters.

Applicant traverses the requirement for election on the grounds that there would not be a serious burden on the Examiner if the election were not required.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that all pending claims, namely claims 1 and 31-54 are in condition for allowance. Allowance is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,

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